

Bicycle Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

March 18, 2008

Attendees

Board: Bob Lutz, Kurt Niven, Sam Campogno, Cindy Green, Jerry O'Neal, Brad Bleck, Bill Bender, Kim Pray, Amy Cowlin

Guests: Bob Turner, Loren Dudley, Ken Pelton

Meeting Minutes for February were approved.

Bike to Work Event (BTW)

Brad said the online registration is up and running. There is no cost to register and you are eligible to win an REI touring bike, a messenger bag, and other prizes. The website is www.biketoworkspokane.org. There is a promotional video on the BAB website. Ten banners for the event will be installed downtown on light poles. A Bike to School day is being scheduled for May 14 with schools in the northeast area. The date for BTW is the week of May 12 – 16.

SpokeFest

Bill said the group has been established as a non-profit corporation. They are working on promotion now and need volunteers for this effort and other tasks. The event date is September 7.

Master Bike Plan (MBP)

Kim distributed a draft outline based on the Seattle MBP. She is working with SRTC to integrate the MBP with their bicycle plan. Bob L. suggested using the Seattle MBP as a guide. Kim and Loren will look for a Seattle contact for help. Cindy suggested assigning a timeline to the MBP completion. Ken has worked on the Bike Plan Maps. March 22, 24 and 29 are scheduled presentations. Public Open Houses will follow in April. Cindy asked for MBP work updates by March 19.

Kim said the End of Trip Facility Survey information is being gathered by EWU students. Would like to develop a downtown bicycle parking map. The presentation may occur in April.

2010 Initiative

Cindy said the goal of the Rails-to-Trails 2010 Initiative is to double non-motorized transportation enhancement funding from the federal government by 2010. The Spokane group will make a presentation to Greater Spokane Incorporated prior to their lobbying trip. Portland and Seattle are also submitting for this program.

National Bike Summit - Mar. 4-7

Sam handed out a summary report and discussed his trip to Washington D.C. Loren also attended and distributed his own report notes. He suggested that the needs of

neighborhoods must be met in any Bike Plan to get their support. He also suggested the BAB use Portland's MBP as a guide versus Seattle's Plan. Cindy said cities that have successful bike plans have an advocacy group. Maybe the BAW could fill this role for Spokane.

Other

Bob T. has not received a response from his superiors on discussing how bike amenity decision-making is done.